



# Crispin School Newsletter

## 12 June 2026

### Issue 33

#### Message from Mr Cornwall, Headteacher

A huge well done to our Year 11 students who are now very nearly at the finish line – just two exams left! The determination, resilience and maturity they have shown throughout this examination season has been exceptional. They have approached each challenge with positivity and purpose, and regardless of the results that follow later in the summer, they should be incredibly proud of what they have achieved.

The theme of pride continues with our Year 10 students, who this week participated in an incredible work-related learning event with EVO at Clarks. I am deliberately going to keep the details to a minimum for now, as next week's newsletter and our social media channels will be full of what students have been working on and producing. What I can say is that the quality of their work, creativity and engagement has been truly outstanding. I cannot wait to share it with you.

Today also marked an important milestone for many of our Year 10 students as they completed their PPE examinations in Graphics, Art and Photography. These assessments provide an invaluable opportunity to rehearse the demands of GCSE examinations and to reflect on strengths and areas for development ahead of next year. Their attitude and commitment throughout the process have been excellent.

Finally, this week saw the start of auditions for *Mary Poppins: The Musical*. There has already been a real buzz of excitement around the school as students begin preparing for what promises to be another fantastic production. I am, however, very sad to report that I have had to prevent Mr Bullock from auditioning for the role of Bert. Whilst his acting credentials remain beyond question, I felt it only fair to spare the audience from his singing voice.

What has struck me most this week is the sheer number of opportunities our students continue to embrace. Whether through examinations, work-related learning, creative arts or enrichment activities, they continue to represent the very best of Crispin. We are incredibly proud of them and look forward to celebrating many more successes in the weeks ahead.

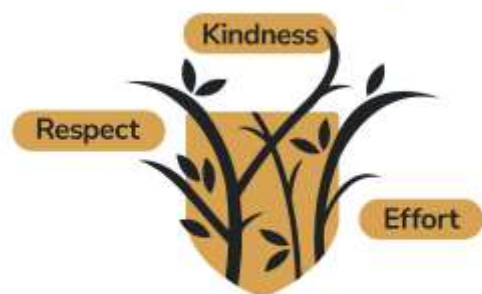
#### Congratulations

**Congratulations to the following students  
for receiving the highest individual  
house points last week**

Elijah Gulliford	Year 7	Anastasia Ibinceanu	Year 8
Evie Wellington	Year 7	Milly Kempson	Year 8
Logan Proctor	Year 8	Joshua Nurton	Year 7
Daisy Rendall	Year 7	Amelia Tatchell	Year 7
Brooke Andrews	Year 8	Darcie Norris	Year 7
Aria Hearn	Year 8		



#### Voice of Crispin



Always ask for help, learning should be a challenge and we all need help along the way.

Do not stand for someone interrupting your learning - this is, and will never be, right.



## Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Qualifying Expedition Success

Congratulations to our Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award students who recently completed their qualifying expedition and represented Crispin School with pride throughout a particularly challenging and rewarding weekend.

This year is especially significant as the Duke of Edinburgh's Award celebrates its 70th anniversary. For seven decades, the Award has inspired young people to develop confidence, resilience and essential life skills through service, physical activity, skill development and expedition challenges. Our students were proud to play their part in this remarkable legacy as they undertook their qualifying expedition.

Over two days, students navigated their planned routes across the Somerset countryside, carrying all of the equipment they needed and working together to overcome the challenges that naturally arise during an expedition. The weekend provided an excellent opportunity for students to demonstrate the skills they have developed through their DofE training, including navigation, teamwork, communication, resilience and independence.

The first day saw teams set off full of enthusiasm and determination as they put months of preparation into practice. However, the weather quickly added an extra layer of difficulty, with persistent rain making conditions challenging throughout the day. Despite the wet weather and muddy terrain, students maintained their focus and worked brilliantly together. Following a demanding day's walking, teams arrived at camp where they prepared their evening meals, set up their tents and reflected on their achievements before enjoying a well-earned rest.

Thankfully, Day 2 brought much improved weather, with dry conditions making for a more pleasant day's walking. However, the previous day's rain continued to make itself felt, as many students faced the challenge of setting out again in wet boots and with tired feet. Despite this, the teams showed remarkable resilience and determination. Their positive attitude, perseverance and support for one another were evident throughout the day as they completed the final stages of their routes and successfully reached the finish.

What impressed staff and assessors most was not only the students' ability to overcome the physical challenges of the expedition, but also the cheerfulness they displayed throughout. Even when faced with discomfort, wet kit and long miles on foot, students consistently encouraged one another, kept spirits high and tackled every challenge with enthusiasm and good humour. Their ability to remain positive in the face of adversity was a credit to them all.

The expedition was a tremendous success, with all participants demonstrating maturity, commitment and a willingness to step outside their comfort zones. Every student stepped up when conditions became difficult, showing an enormous amount of resilience, determination and character. Staff and assessors were particularly impressed by the students' navigation skills, teamwork and the positive mindset they maintained throughout the weekend.

We would like to congratulate all of our Bronze Award participants on their fantastic achievement. They should be extremely proud of what they have accomplished. Their resilience, teamwork and cheerfulness throughout the weekend truly embodied the spirit of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and reflected the values that have made the programme such a success over the past 70 years.

As the Duke of Edinburgh's Award celebrates this important milestone, we are delighted to see another generation of Crispin students embracing its challenges and opportunities.

We look forward to seeing them continue their Duke of Edinburgh journey and complete their Bronze Award in the coming months.





## A day in the life of.....

### A Day in the Life of two Year 8 students.

We start the day with 20 minutes of tutor time with Miss Briggs before heading straight to Period 1. By far our favourite lessons are Music and Drama!

At break time, we meet up with friends we haven't seen for the first two periods. After that, Periods 3 and 4 normally fly by, before we head to lunch for around 40 minutes.

Finally, we have Period 5, and we're always hoping it's PE!

Every Thursday after school, we attend Show Choir with Miss Cooper-White and Mrs B. Normally, we would be rehearsing for the school show, but at the moment we are excitedly waiting for the Mary Poppins auditions for the new production.

And that's our day! Thanks for reading, Eliza & Ailla



## There's still time to get involved in our production of Mary Poppins!

Whether you'd like to audition for a role on stage or join our backstage team, we'd love to have you involved.

School productions are a brilliant way to make new friends, build confidence, learn new skills, and create memories you'll never forget.

Some of the best moments happen both on stage and behind the scenes!

Auditions start next week, so if you haven't signed up yet, please come and see Mrs Baumgardt for more information.

*We can't wait to get started and see what this cast and crew can create together!*

**MARY POPPINS AUDITIONS**  
*Lead & Main Cast*

- 12** Friday 3.15pm **YEAR 10 AUDITIONS**  
Lead & Main Characters
- 16** Tuesday 3.15pm **YEAR 7-9 AUDITIONS**  
Lead & Main Characters
- 19** Friday 3.20pm **DANCE WORKSHOP**  
See teams for further info
- 24** Wednesday 3.15pm **YEAR 7-10 ENSEMBLE AUDITIONS**
- 26** Friday 3.15pm **YEAR 7-10 ENSEMBLE & ANY MAIN CATCH UP**
- 06** w/c July **CALL BACKS**  
By invitation only

**ANY QUESTIONS SEE MRS B**



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**THRIVE**  
PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT



# HEAD Students

BE THE **FACE**. REPRESENT. **LEAD**. INSPIRE.



Represent the student body at events



Be a role model for younger students



Work with staff and students to make a difference



Represent our school in the wider community



Lead events, celebrations and assemblies



**THRIVE**  
STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Together, we **THRIVE**.  
Together, we lead.



## TO APPLY

Please write a letter of application, no more than 200 words, explaining why you would be a good Head Student, and what you would bring to the role.



**APPLICATIONS CLOSE  
FRIDAY 19TH JUNE.**

Please leave at reception for Miss Horne



**ASPIRATION**  
Aim high and achieve more



**COMPASSION**  
Be kind, be considerate, be you



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Give your best in everything you do



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STUDENT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

# SENIOR PREFECTS Year 11

LEAD. SUPPORT. SERVE.  
Make a difference every day.

## YOUR ROLE WILL INCLUDE:

- Running the school shop
- Supporting quiet spaces and study areas
- Supporting the library
- Lunch duty and supporting the school community
- Helping with the Equalities Group

## TO APPLY

Please write a letter of application, no more than 200 words, explaining why you would be a good Senior Prefect and what you would bring to the role.

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STUDENT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

# PREFECTS Year 10

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Enjoy Water Safety



## RLSS UK National Pool Lifeguard Qualification

Millfield Swimming Pool  
Dates: Monday 27th – Friday 31st July 2026 (Assessment: Friday 31st July)

Attendance: 100% attendance is compulsory  
Cost: £280 (includes AED specialism)  
Eligibility: Applicants must be over 16 years old on the day of assessment

Course Prerequisites:  
Swim 50m in under 60 seconds / Swim 100m continuously (on front then on back) / Tread water for a minimum of 30 seconds / Surface dive to the bottom of the pool / Climb out of the pool unaided

Interested?  
To book your place contact Tom Hole  
Email: [hole.t@millfieldschool.com](mailto:hole.t@millfieldschool.com)



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Crispin School invites you, your family and friends to a Private Viewing of GCSE Art, Graphics, Photography & Product Design work.

## CREATIVITY & INNOVATION EXHIBITION

TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JULY  
5:30–7pm  
INNOVATION HUB



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# Important Calendar Dates

Tuesday 16 June	Year 10 BTC Taster Day Mary Poppins Year 7-9 Auditions, 15:15
Wednesday 17 June	Last Day of Live GCSE Exams
Thursday 18 June	Kenya Trip Information Evening, 16:30
Friday 19 June	Deadline for Summer School Payments Physics Competition, Millfield Mary Poppins Dance Workshop, 15:20
Wednesday 24 June	Year 11 National Contingency Day Year 6 SEND Transition Day Mary Poppins Year 7-10 Ensemble Year 10 Step Up Evening
Thursday 25 June	Handball trip, Nottingham Understanding Anxiety & Low Mood Workshop, 16:00
Monday 15 - Friday 26 June	Year 10 Summer Prelims
Friday 26 June	Mary Poppins Yr 7-10 Ensemble & any main catch up
Monday 29 June	Poland History Trip Departs
Tuesday 30 June	Netherlands Parent Information Evening, 18:00
Monday 29 June - Friday 03 July	Year 10 Work Experience Week
Wednesday 01 July	Year 6 Transition Day Year 6 New Parents Information Evening, 18:30
Thursday 02 July	Poland History Trip Returns Year 11 Leavers Breakfast Year 11 Prom
Sunday 05 July	Kenya Trip Departs
Tuesday 07 July	Year 7 Geography Trip (X) Creativity & Innovation Exhibition, 17:30 - 19:00
Wednesday 08 July	Year 7 Geography Trip (Y)
Thursday 09 July	Headteacher's Award Ceremony, 18:30
Monday 13th July	Netherlands Trip Departs
Tuesday 14 July	Thrive Day 1 - Prov Sports Day
Wednesday 15 July	Thrive Day 2
Thursday 16 July	Thrive Day 3
<b>Friday 17 July</b>	Netherlands Trip Returns <b>End of Term for Students, 12:15</b>
Monday 17 - Wednesday 19 August	Year 6 Summer School
Thursday 20 August	Year 11 GCSE Results Day

